

Higher Education Committee

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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4339
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 4339 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Public Community College Act is amended by
5	adding Section 2-23 as follows:
6	(110 ILCS 805/2-23 new)
7	Sec. 2-23. Student transfer to university; coordinator and
8	recruiter.
9	(a) The State Board shall establish a 3-year pilot program
10	under which each community college in Community College
11	District No. 508 and Community College District No. 527 must
12	employ one person as a coordinator and one person as a
13	recruiter to assist inner-city students in transferring to
14	public universities in this State. The State Board shall
15	provide a grant to each of these districts to fund the
16	positions, which amount must be equally divided among the
17	community colleges in these districts.
18	(b) The coordinator shall do all of the following:
19	(1) Work with the district's academic advisement staff
20	to develop a program plan that will transition students to
21	universities.
22	(2) Interface with university admissions departments
23	to assist students during the transition.
24	(3) Assist students with course selection, majors,

1	housing, child care, and financial aid.
2	(4) Track student progress and the effectiveness of
3	campus events.
4	(5) Implement a transition strategy and work with
5	students on the strategy.
6	(6) Interface with the president, deans, academic
7	advisors, faculty, staff, and program directors.
8	(7) Oversee the activities of the recruiter.
9	(8) Assist students in filling out applications and
10	finding a university match.
11	(9) Establish financial aid initiatives and assist
12	students in finding and applying for funding sources.
13	(10) Coordinate housing arrangements.
14	(c) The recruiter shall do all of the following:
15	(1) Identify transfer candidates by working with deans
16	and faculty.
17	(2) Develop recruiting strategies, including a
18	proactive campus recruiting strategy that will attract
19	dedicated students.
20	(3) Design, implement, and execute on-campus
21	recruiting activities, including campus fairs, information
22	sessions, workshops, and seminars.
23	(4) Create on-campus marketing and communication
24	strategies to increase awareness and to educate students
25	about the opportunities that exist with universities.
26	(5) Develop and maintain a partnership with deans,
27	program directors, professors, and academic advisors.
28	(6) Establish partnerships with universities, as well
29	as other institutions of higher education and trade
30	schools.
31	(7) Report program effectiveness to the coordinator.
32	(d) After the pilot program has been in effect for 3 years,
33	the State Board shall study the overall success of the pilot
34	program and report its findings to the General Assembly. The

- program shall be deemed successful if 50% or more of all 1
- student participants have received their bachelor's degree. 2
- After the report is filed, the General Assembly may continue 3
- the program, increase funding for the program, or expand the 4
- 5 program to all public community colleges in this State.
- (e) The State Board may adopt any rules necessary to carry 6
- 7 out its responsibilities under this Section.
- 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
- 2006.". 9